

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph starting at page 6, line 23 with the following paragraph.

Figure 1 illustrates the inhibition of luciferase activity by oligomers comprising propargyl modified nucleomonomers. **As shown, propargyl-containing antisense oligomers effectively inhibit target luciferase expression. Antisense oligomers with the indicated chemistries were transfected into HeLa cells. A secondary transfection was performed with either the target firefly luciferase expression vector or a control firefly luciferase expression vector which does not contain the target sequence. The data is expressed as the ratio of targeted firefly luciferase signal to non-targeted firefly luciferase signal.**

Amendments to the Drawings:

The drawing sheet attached in connection with the above-identified application containing Figure 1 is being presented as a new formal drawing sheet to be substituted for the previously submitted drawing sheet. Appended to this amendment is an annotated copy of the previous drawing sheet which has been marked to show changes presented in the replacement sheet of the drawing. Specifically, Figure 1 has been amended to delete the excess text beneath the figure and that text has been inserted into the specification at page 6, line 23.